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For: METHOD FOR REMOVING A FLUID)	Filed VIA EFS
SUBSTANCE FROM A COLLECTION)	
DEVICE)	

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Applicants bring to the Examiner's attention the documents listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 forms for consideration in connection with the examination of the above-identified application

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Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner indicate consideration of the cited documents by returning a copy of the PTO/SB/08 forms with the Examiner's initials or other appropriate marks.

Respectfully submitted,

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